a bridge and approaches thereto across Newtown Creek, at a point New York City may suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Maspeth Avenue Brooklyn and Queens. between the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens in the city and State of New York, one end of said bridge to be in the Borough of Brooklyn and city of New York, and the other in the Borough of Queens, city of New York, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled: "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Construction. Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.

Sec. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 11, 1924.

CHAP. 49.—An Act To authorize the building of a bridge across the Waccamaw River in South Carolina.

March 11, 1924. [H. R. 3681.] [Public, No. 38.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the county Waccamaw River. of Horry, in the State of South Carolina, be, and is hereby, may bridge. authorized to construct, operate, and maintain a bridge and approaches thereto across the Waccamaw River, in the State of South Carolina, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, and at or near a point known as Star Bluff, or at or near a point known as Bellamys Landing, in said State, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Location.

Construction. Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.

Sec. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved.

Approved, March 11, 1924.

CHAP. 50.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the State Highway Commission of Louisiana to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across West Pearl River in the State of Louisiana.

March 11, 1924. [H. R. 4807.] [Public, No. 39.]

West Pearl River.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the State Highway Commission of Louisiana to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the West Pearl River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, approximately one mile north of Pearl River station in the State of Louisiana, and in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906. Sec. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby

Louisiana may bridge.

Location.

Construction. Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.

Approved, March 11, 1924.

expressly reserved.

CHAP. 51.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the construction, maintenance, and operation of a bridge across the Pearl River between Saint Tammany Parish in Louisiana and Hancock County in Mississippi.

March 11, 1924. [H. R. 4808.] Public, No. 40.1

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the of Congress is hereby granted to the State Highway Commission bridge, between Saint Tammamy Parish, La, of Mississippi, or of Hancock County in the State of Mississippi, Miss.

Pearl River.
Louisiana, etc., may bridge, between Saint Tammamy Parish, La, and Hancock County, of Mississippi, or of Hancock County in the State of Mississippi, Miss. across the Pearl River at a point suitable to the interests of navi-

Location.

Construction. Vol. 34, p. 84. gation between the Parish of Saint Tammany in the State of Louisiana and the County of Hancock in the State of Mississippi, approximately four and one-half miles northeast of Pearl River station in the State of Louisiana and five miles south of Nicholson in the State of Mississippi and in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Amendment.

Sec. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, March 11, 1924.

March 12, 1924. [H. R. 5557.] [Public, No. 41.]

CHAP. 52.—An Act To authorize the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Finland to the United States of America.

Finland.
Settlement of its
World War indebtedness approved.
Vol. 42, p. 363.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the settlement of the indebtedness of the Republic of Finland to the United States of America, made by the World War Foreign Debt Commission and approved by the President, upon the following terms is hereby approved and authorized:

Funding of principal and interest into bonds.

Principal amount of obligations to be funded, \$8,281,926.17; interest accrued thereon to December 15, 1922, at the rate of 4½ per centum per annum, \$1,027,389.10, less payment in cash made by Finland March 8, 1923, on account of interest, \$300,000, leaving a balance of \$727,389.10; total principal and interest accrued and unpaid as of December 15, 1922, \$9,009,315.27; less payment in cash made by Finland on May 1, 1923, \$9,315.27. Total indebtedness to be funded into bonds, \$9,000,000.

Principal payable in installments.

The principal of the bonds shall be paid in annual installments on the 15th day of each December, up to and including December 15, 1984, on a fixed schedule, subject to the right of the Government of Finland to make these payments in three-year periods; the amount of the first year's installment shall be \$45,000, the annual installments to increase with due regularity until, in the sixty-second year, the amount of the installment will be \$345,000, the aggregate installments being equal to the total principal of the debt. The Government of Finland shall have the right to pay off addi-

Prior payments allowed.

tional amounts of the principal of the bonds on any interest date upon ninety days' notice.

Interest rates.

Interest shall be payable upon the unpaid balances at the following rates on December 15 and June 15 of each year:

At the rate of 3 per centum per annum, payable semiannually, from December 15, 1922, to December 15, 1932, and thereafter at the rate of 3½ per centum per annum. payable semiannually, until

final payment.

Acceptance of additional bonds for accrued interest.

The Government of Finland shall have the right to pay up to one-half of any interest accruing between December 15, 1922, and December 15, 1927, on the \$9,000,000, principal amount of bonds first to be issued, in bonds of Finland dated as of the respective dates when the interest to be paid thereby becomes due, payable as to principal on the 15th day of December in each succeeding year, up to and including December 15, 1984, on a fixed schedule, in annual installments, increasing with due regularity in proportion to, and in the manner provided for, the payments to be made on account of principal of the original issue of bonds, and bearing the same rates of interest and being similar in other respects to such original issue of bonds.

Payment in United States bonds accepted.

Any payment of interest or of principal may be made, at the option of the Government of Finland, in any United States Gov-